



Maye E. Dorn

May 28, 1922 - May 14, 2019

Maye E. Dorn, 96, of Minden, formerly of Alma, passed away on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at Bethany Home in Minden. Celebration of life services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, May 20, 2019 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Axtell with the Rev. Gale Dorn officiating. Private family inurnment will be held at a later date at the Alma Cemetery. There will be no visitation as the family has honored Maye's wish to be cremated. In Lieu of flowers, memorials in Maye's honor are kindly suggested to the family to be designated towards the Nebraska flood relief efforts. Craig Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Maye Edna (Fischer) Dorn formerly of Alma was born May 28, 1922 on a farm north of old Republican City to Karl and Fredareka "Freda" (Weisshaar) Fischer. Maye was the fourth girl of seven children in her family. Maye was baptized at Peace Lutheran Church in Alma, Nebraska by J.F. Kicsow on July 9, 1922. As a young adult she was confirmed at Peace Lutheran Church by C.M. Hollensen. The family lived on the farm north of old Republican City and Maye attended Gorman Rural School District 72 north of Republican City in Harlan County and graduated from Republican City High School in 1940. As a senior, Maye worked as a teacher's aide with a salary of \$8/month. Maye was awarded a scholarship to Hastings College but turned it down to help out on the farm. After graduation, Maye worked for various families as a domestic helper.

In 1942, Maye met George Henry Dorn at a dance in Republican City and on August 20, 1944, they got married at Peace Lutheran Church in Alma. Together they farmed near Wilcox, Orleans, Stamford and Beaver City before settling north of Alma in 1959. During this time Maye would work as a waitress, domestic helper, office assistant and farm hand. In 1969 they moved into Alma. George owned Dorn's Plumbing, Heating, and Air and Maye worked for Alma Public Schools. Maye worked for the school from 1963 to 1993 as a cook's assistant and later as head cook. She loved working at the school and being in contact with students and teachers. Maye became known for her cinnamon rolls/twists that she first started serving at Parent-Teacher conferences as a treat.

After retiring, Maye worked part time at the Post Office for almost 13 years. She enjoyed this job as well because she could continue to greet everyone when they came in to pick up their mail. Along with her jobs, she loved farm work and helped her son Gale with

chores daily until she moved to Minden in December 2011. Maye was an active member of Peace Lutheran Church in Alma where she served as a Sunday school teacher for 15 years as well as participating in WELCA (woman's group), quilting, and funeral planner. She was especially excited with the Church's expansion and new kitchen but never got to work in it.

In 2011 Maye moved to Minden. She missed her friends but continued to be in contact by phone and letters. She attended the Tuesday night Jambaree in Alma which she thoroughly enjoyed. Maye joined Bethany Lutheran Church in Minden and was happy to be a part of the 'Piece Corps' and continued to make quilts for Lutheran Church of America. In 2016 she finally made her hundred and completed 135 quilts that year. She continued quilting and tying quilts until her death.

Maye was preceded in death by her husband George on August 27, 1981; her father on January 2, 1967; her mother on February 12, 1989; four sisters, Doris Haussermann and her husband Ernest, Ella Brugh and her husband Louis, Nora Rawson and her husband James, and Jeanette Warren; two brothers, Robert "Bud" Fischer, and Karl "Jim" Fischer and his wife Shirley; a daughter-in-law, Joan Dorn; and a grandson Justin Gale Dorn. She leaves to mourn her passing two sons, Gene and wife Carolyn of Bellevue, Nebraska, and Gale and wife Marcia of Axtell; one daughter, Gara Hansen and husband Roger of Minden, and one sister-in-law, Dorothy Fischer of Kearney; four grandsons, Greg Dorn of Lincoln, Jerod Dorn and wife Kristina of Kearney, Jed Hansen and wife Nicole of Omaha, and Bo Hansen and wife Sheila of Blair; three granddaughters, Tara Dorn and husband Donald Bebber of Tucson, Arizona, Jesica Vickers and husband Kevin of Kearney, and Jena Coil and husband Joe of Omaha. Eleven great grandchildren: Jacob and Micah Bebber, Caleb and Callen Dorn, Tyler Artz, Fletcher Dorn, Jaxson Vickers, Harper Hansen, Dexter Hansen, and Henry and Teddy Coil; as well as numerous other relatives and many friends.

Tributes of memory can be shared with the family at www.craigfunerals.com.

Cemetery

Alma Cemetery

Alma, NE,

Events

MAY **Celebration of Life** 01:00PM

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Trinity Lutheran Church

Axtell, NE, US

Comments



“ Aunt Maye was a very special lady! I remember the first time I met her. Grandpa Tom Dorn wanted me to know her & Uncle George, so he & Grandma Sena took us with them to visit at their Alma home. She was such a gracious hostess. I know we had something really good to eat before we went home, but it wasn't her famous rolls. Uncle Goerge made sure I knew that she was famous for her cinnoman rolls, but according to him they didn't have them at home much. Getting to know him, I soon learned that more than half the time he was joking with me. I always enjoyed Aunt Maye's cooking at the annual Dorn Thanksgivings! She was always so pleasant to visit with, & I always loved her subtle sense of humor. I am so blessed to have received the antique matchbox holder that she had. (It had been given to her parents by The Kahrs Brothers' General Store at Pleasant View, Nebraska which was North of Bloomington, well over 100 years ago. My Grandpa Charlie Kahrs was one of those brothers) The world has lost a very special lady, but Heaven has gained a very sweet & faithful Angel. She is already missed by so many! Well done, Aunt Maye, well done! Your work on earth is done. I'm blessed to have had you in my life!

Sara Dorn - May 18, 2019 at 11:14 PM



“ When I was in high school I hid my retainer under my napkin at lunch. Of course I wadded up the whole thing and stuffed it in my milk carton. When I discovered my mistake I was a little hysterical. Maye came out and went through every single carton with me until we found it. She made every kid feel special. She was a gift.

Wendy Rebman Bredensteiner - May 16, 2019 at 08:32 PM



“ I cherish the memories of my childhood that Aunt Maye created. I was always excited for those Fischer family Sunday dinners--Maye (and George) arrived with a casserole, cake and funny jokes, and cousins for fun times, running thru pastures and farm sites. How lucky--blessed, actually--I am to have that. Thank you Maye for all the memories and always being there for us. Sorry that time and distance keep me from enjoying your celebration of life and Christian witness. Love to the family and friends who have loved you and miss you. Jani

Jan Brugh Smolik - May 16, 2019 at 03:34 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maye E. Dorn.





May 16, 2019 at 03:21 PM



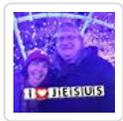
“ I was so sorry to hear that we had lost Aunt Maye. She was the one in the Fischer family that seemed to keep everyone connected: cousins, kids, grandkids, etc. I'm going to miss the phone visits that we had. All my sympathy to the immediate family. I plan to be there on Monday to help remember and celebrate a well-lived life.

Carol Haussermann - May 15, 2019 at 06:58 PM



“ Oh my, what a nice obituary and tribute, if you can call an obituary "nice". It seems so fitting that memorials will go to Nebraska flood victims. Remember having you come to our house and we to yours on occasion while growing up. Much love and prayer from me to all of you.

Marilyn Moseman - May 15, 2019 at 06:49 PM



“ She made the best food in alma high school. Her cinnamon rolls rocked. She is going be missed .

Alice - May 16, 2019 at 10:18 AM